LEVI COLE—WIDOW OF.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 779.]

May 25, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Verree, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Elizabeth Cole, widow of Levi Cole, deceased, submit the following report:

The petitioner prays to be placed on the pension roll under the act of February 3, 1853, on account of the revolutionary services of her

late husband, Levi Cole, deceased.

It appears from the evidence upon which the Pension office granted Levi Cole a pension, under the act of 1818, that so long ago as the 20th of May, 1818, when he applied for a pension, he was a respectable resident of the city of Washington, living with his family, consisting of a wife and two children, the oldest 15 years, and the youngest, a little girl at school. His services, character, and identity were established by the certificate of Benjamin Page, an officer under whom he served at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1779, and the affidavits of some of the most respectable citizens of Washington. It further appears that after the death of his wife he married again on the 6th of April, 1830, Miss Elizabeth Simmons, and that they lived together as man and wife, at Annapolis, Maryland, until his death, 8th January, 1846; that at the time of his death he was a pensioner under the act of 1818, and afterwards his wife, the present applicant, as his widow, received the balance of pension due to the day of his death.

The marriage, death, identity, and continued widowhood are clearly shown by a certified copy of the publication of the marriage, extracted from the Maryland Gazette of the 8th April, 1830; the certificate of the orphans' court of Anne Arundel county, Maryland; the affidavits of respectable witnesses, and the evidence that the treasury paid her the balance of pension due, being satisfied of these facts

by other evidence exhibited then.

From the evidence, your committee are satisfied that the petitioner is entitled to a pension under the act of February 3, 1853, and report a bill accordingly.

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